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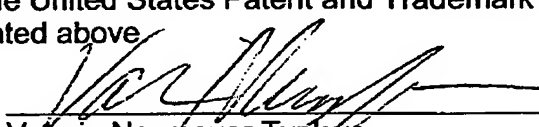
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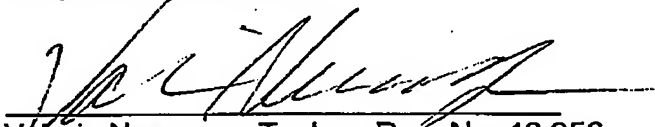
REQUEST FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

With reference to the Office Action dated March 18, 2008, the applicants hereby request a one-month extension of the term for response, to extend the end date of the current term from April 18, 2008, to Monday, May 19, 2008.

Please charge \$60 (small entity) to Deposit Account No. 12-0400 to cover the cost of the extension. No other fee is believed to be required. However, if this is not the case, please charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment to the same Deposit Account No. 12-0400.

Respectfully submitted,

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